

## **Senate Bill No. 828**

### **CHAPTER 705**

An act to amend Sections 6710, 6714, 6747, and 8710 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to professional engineers.

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#### **LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

SB 828, Greene. Professional engineers and land surveyors.

(1) The Professional Engineers Act establishes the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors in the Department of Consumer Affairs, and requires the board to appoint an executive officer at a salary to be fixed and determined by the board with the approval of the Director of Finance. The Professional Land Surveyors' Act provides that the board shall also administer that act. These provisions are to become inoperative on July 1, 1998, and, as of January 1, 1999, are repealed.

This bill would extend the operation of the board, and its appointment authority with respect to an executive officer, until July 1, 2000, and would repeal these provisions as of January 1, 2001.

(2) The act, except for those provisions that apply to civil engineers and civil engineering, provides that it is not applicable to the performance of engineering work by a manufacturing, mining, public utility, research and development, or other industrial corporation, or by employees of that corporation, provided this work is in connection with, or incidental to, the products, systems, or services of the corporation or its affiliates.

This bill would include consultants, temporary employees, contract employees, and those persons hired pursuant to 3rd-party contracts as "employees" for purposes of the above provision.

(3) Existing law requires the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee to perform various functions and duties with respect to evaluating and determining whether a board or regulatory program has demonstrated a public need for the board's or program's continued existence, and to report its findings and recommendations to the Department of Consumer Affairs for review.

This bill would provide that the repeal of provisions on January 1, 2001, relating to the operation of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors shall render the board subject to the above review, but that the review of the board shall be limited to only those unresolved issues identified by the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 6710 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6710. (a) There is in the Department of Consumer Affairs a State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, which consists of 13 members.

(b) This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2000, and, as of January 1, 2001, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that becomes effective on or before January 1, 2001, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed. The repeal of this section shall render the board subject to the review required by Division 1.2 (commencing with Section 473). However, the review of this board shall be limited to only those unresolved issues identified by the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee.

SEC. 2. Section 6714 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6714. The board shall appoint an executive officer at a salary to be fixed and determined by the board with the approval of the Director of Finance.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2000, and, as of January 1, 2001, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that becomes effective on or before January 1, 2001, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.

SEC. 3. Section 6747 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6747. (a) This chapter, except for those provisions that apply to civil engineers and civil engineering, shall not apply to the performance of engineering work by a manufacturing, mining, public utility, research and development, or other industrial corporation, or by employees of that corporation, provided that work is in connection with, or incidental to, the products, systems, or services of that corporation or its affiliates.

(b) For purposes of this section, “employees” also includes consultants, temporary employees, contract employees, and those persons hired pursuant to third-party contracts.

SEC. 4. Section 8710 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

8710. The State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors is vested with power to administer the provisions and requirements of this chapter, and may make and enforce rules and regulations that are reasonably necessary to carry out its provisions.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2000, and, as of January 1, 2001, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2001, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed. The repeal of

this section shall render the board subject to the review required by Division 1.2 (commencing with Section 473). However, the review of this board shall be limited to only those unresolved issues identified by the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee.

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